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PROPAGANDA FOR THE LEAGUE

As the echoes of the Republican landslide become fainter, the propaganda urging league membership upon the United States once more waxes in strength. A dispatch from Geneva states that the general view of the European and Latin American nations is that unless the United States accepts its membership the league of nations will not survive. Apparently, they are willing to submit to any reservation which this nation sees fit to make if it will only come in. But they are reported as objecting to any new scheme. The reason for this objection is easy to see. It is because Mr. Wilson, succeeding to his intention to so interweave the league and the treaty, has made it impossible for the United States to become a member of the league, no matter what its reservations, without at the same time accepting the responsibilities which are embodied in the treaty itself. These responsibilities include membership on various commissions charged with redrawing European boundaries, holding plebiscites, allocating raw materials, the working out of names and other financial and economic matters in which this nation has no immediate interest, and which would embroil it in the constant bickerings of Europe.

The answer of this country to the league of nations was loud enough to be heard far across the ocean. A congressional resolution of peace can come home to soothe the American people of mind. Following that of the nations of Europe, Asia, and South America wish to cooperate with this country in drafting a measure to prevent a resort to arms before they have been a resort to reason, persuasion will meet them half way. But there must be no fettering of American independence, no possibility of covering the United States to not in matters in which it has no concern. The people have entrusted this nation's safety to Mr. Harding supported by an overwhelming majority in congress and that trust will not be betrayed even though the whole world sets up a calamity howl.

THE SUCCESS OF THE PANAMA CANAL.

When the building of the Panama canal was authorized by congress, the possibility of its ever being self-sustaining or a money making project seemed so remote that this was not even mentioned in the various debates on the passage of the bill. But the records show that in the short time it has been open to shipping it has not only become self-sustaining but it bids fair to return a profit on its operation. In the last year, according to the Canal Record, the official publication of the zone, the operating expenses were approximately six million while the receipts were eight million. The total expenses since the canal was first opened to operation have been 16 million while the receipts were 34 million. Another year like the past one will wipe out this deficit and from that time the operation should show a profit, and in time return the cost of building it to the public treasury.

When the canal was first opened to shipping in 1914 the United States had only about two million tons of sea-going vessels but the spurt in shipbuilding during the war more than quadrupled this tonnage. The importance of this waterway to a nation with ten millions of ships can scarcely be estimated but some idea of it can be gained by the savings in miles between the various seaports. For example the distance from New York to San Francisco was reduced by 8,000 miles. Approximately the same saving in distance was made between any of the other forty or more ports on the Atlantic or Pacific seaboards. Manila was brought 5,000 miles nearer New York and Australia 3,700 miles nearer by the completion of the Canal.

The value of the canal in regard to the defense of this nation cannot be estimated. By it days are saved in transferring the navy from one side of the continent to the other, ships and supplies can be rushed by water from the east to the west as occasion might require and it permits the United States to maintain its defense with a much smaller navy than would be necessary otherwise. From all standpoints the canal has been a success and the commission responsible for its operation is to be congratulated upon the manner in which it has performed its duties.

Notwithstanding the fact that the president of the United States, and even the president-elect, must be guarded constantly to protect them against cranks and those who would do violence, yet the president enjoys considerable freedom of action and movement among the people. It is too bad that any safeguarding at all is required. It is regrettable that in this great free land there should be an element foreign to the ideals of America which element makes itself menacing to public men.

To get the most out of and provide the best advantages possible educationally, a matter that is becoming a national problem, and along this line "school week" has been designated for Dec. 5-11. During this week it is desired that in every state and community such steps be taken as will enhance appreciation of the value of education and of affording greater opportunities for education in the schools. It is a big question and is worthy of the fullest community consideration and co-operation.

The south once more is complaining that there is no profit in raising cotton. They why forever grow cotton exclusively? Why not diversify crops? Why not plant less cotton and more corn? Lessened production would force the price of cotton up. Cotton is a necessity, not a luxury. The world will pay a good round price for it, if shortage of supply compels it.

The University of Nevada will start the New Year with its splendid new educational building, which will be utilized for the first time in the work of the institution. The new structure and its equipment is an important addition to the university and will make for still greater efficiency.

Is not the time propitious to make diplomacy not only open but honest? Too long has diplomacy been a polite name for internal dishonesty and double dealing.

AMUSEMENTS

TOM MIX THRILLER
AT THE BUTLER TODAY

Tom Mix is in town again, this time in a rip-roaring, two-listed, swift-moving love story that tops all others of the same class. It is "Desert Love," and will be shown at the Butler today.

Those who have seen the picture described it as a "skyrocket of action," sweeping without pause to a finale of hair-raising quality.

The lead is taken by Tom Mix, famous for his daredevil stunts on and off the screen. He enacts the role of a high-minded son of the plains, known familiarly as "One-Quarter Apache," who is determined to wipe out a gang of rustlers who have been preying on the county for many years. It is a typical Mix picture, accompanied by all the Mix stunts and thrills, and a few more thrown in for good measure. Added to the program will be a two-reel Sunshine comedy, "His Noddy Still."

Tomorrow, a special nine-reel program, made up of the big feature, "The Copperhead," starring Lionel Barrymore, and a two-reel comedy, "Comin' Monday," another big one, "The River's End."

RATE CASE DECISION DISAPPOINTS OFFICIAL

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amendment in such form as will for all time save to the people their rights, liberties and local independence, otherwise we cannot hope to progress safely for the future.

History, which has the uncomfortable habit of repeating itself, teaches that the Roman empire fell, not because the provinces of that nation exercised local control, but because through the growth of centralization at Rome, there was finally abolished all political independence outside the city of Rome. Deal, one with the inestimable value and effectiveness of our dual form of government, and especially with the fact that the efficiency of our national government thus far attained is because our states and local communities are self-governing and exercise self-governing functions, and are accustomed and trained to be self-governing, John Fiske said:

"A perdurable government must be that which achieves national society on a grand scale without weakening the sense of personal and local independence, for with the body politic this power of freedom is the red-blood corpuscles of the blood which carry life with it; it makes the difference between a society of self-respecting men and women and a society of puppets. Your nation may have art, poetry and science—all the refinements of civilized life, all the comforts and safeguards that human ingenuity can devise—but if it loses this spirit of freedom, of local independence, it is dimmed and deserves to be dimmed."

"As characteristic of the attitude of the carriers, an economist of New York city has written to the Nevada commission that he is greatly alarmed at the growing tendency found in the legislation and decisions concerning public service matters in disregard of the highly important fundamental principles above referred to. He states:

"Due to a spirit of patriotism or unwillingness to have their patriotism challenged, a great many people have submitted during the past two years to a highly arbitrary invasion of their rights by the railroad administration, and it has been obvious to everyone familiar with the situation that carrier officers took advantage of the opportunities federal control afforded to consummate designs which they dared not undertake previous to the war. Their success in this respect has so emboldened them that the old-time autocracy of railroad officials which prevailed before effective regulation was adopted, has returned to an even more arrogant extent. It seems to me that the conditions under which the intermountain states, such as yours, have suffered by reason of rate adjustments largely approved by the interstate commerce commission are almost intolerable, and it is high time that relief be had from some quarter."

Don't fail to attend the football game Thursday afternoon. adv-11.

Special Turkey Dinner Thanksgiving day at the Mirpah Grill. \$1.00. Adv-N24-11.

MISS KATHERINE SELLERS



This is Miss Katherine Sellers, appointed by President Wilson judge of the juvenile court of the District of Columbia.

MANY BARGAINS AT UNIQUE SALE

The response of the people of Tonopah to the unusual bargains that are being offered at the sale which started at The Unique this morning shows that this event is one which they have been waiting for. The reductions which are offered are so sweeping that they are attracting a large number of shoppers and many are taking advantage of the sale to secure high-class merchandise at bargain prices.

The management of The Unique in advertising this sale at this time is in line with the new conditions in the business world. The store is throwing its enormous stock of high grade goods on the market at prices which are far below the quotations of the past months, and for exceptional money saving opportunities to the people of this city.

START THE DAY RIGHT

Union Thanksgiving services will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the Presbyterian church. The Thanksgiving proclamation of the president will be read and Rev. McGowan will preach the sermon. The public is cordially invited to attend the service.

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